METHOD OF TREATING OR PREVENTING IMMUNE MEDIATED DISORDERS AND PHARMACEUTICAL FORMULATION FOR USE THEREIN

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method of treating or preventing an immune mediated disorder in a mammal, said method comprising the administration of a therapeutically effective amount of an estrogenic component to said mammal, wherein the estrogenic component is selected from the group consisting of: substances represented by the following formula:

$$R_{2}$$
 R_{3}
 R_{4}

$$R_7$$
 R_6
 R_7
 R_8
 R_8
 R_8

in which formula R₁, R₂, R₃, R₄ independently are a hydrogen atom, a hydroxyl group or an alkoxy group with 1-5 carbon atoms; each of R₅, R₆, R₇ is a hydroxyl group; no more than 3 of

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R₁, R₂, R₃, R₄ are hydrogen atoms; precursors capable of liberating a substance according to the aforementioned formula when used in the present method; and mixtures of one or more of the aforementioned substances and/or precursors. Another aspect of the invention relates to a pharmaceutical formulation comprising the aforementioned estrogenic component, an immunotherapeutic agent and a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

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